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**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT OF June 27, 2006**

Sir:

Applicant provides the following election in response to the Restriction Requirement ("Office Action") dated June 27, 2006, in the above-captioned application. The Office Action set forth restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to 5 purportedly distinct inventions. Applicant hereby provisionally elects **Group I** (claims 1, 4-15, and 35), drawn to peptides or modified peptides with traverse. Applicant reserves the right to file divisional application(s) directed to non-elected subject matter.

This Response is submitted within one (1) month of the mailing date of the Office Action which is up to and including July 27, 2006. As such, Applicants believe that no fees are required. In the event that any fee is deemed necessary by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") to enter and consider this Response or to maintain the present application pending, please charge such fees to the undersigned's **Deposit Account No. 50-0206**.